Bill for Releife of Credittors.

Read the 2<sup>d</sup> time w<sup>th</sup> Amendm<sup>t</sup> and do pass.

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The reporte of the Conference relating to New York Affaires Was read and orderd to be entred Vizt.

By the Conference appointed for the Affaires of New York. 1st It is conceived that if the Seat of Gousnment be at New York it will not only be A means to Allure and entice Many trades men Artificers And others Now among us Who follow the trade of planting here to desert this province And fly to that of New Yorke where they may follow their Seuerall trades & Callings and Gaine to themselves more ease and Advantage, thereby lessening the Revenue of the Crowne of England And Alsoe by these Meanes they will in A Short time be Enabled to Supply us with Such Manufactory's and other necessary's which now Are Imported from England & inevittably destroy our Comerce with the same.

- 2 Wee conceive that New York having power and Authority will upon All Occasions Comand from us such forces as they Shall think fitt for the Safety and Strengthning themselves as Will in A great Measure weaken this province (Now but thinly Seated) And thereby leave the remaining parte of the Inhabitants here open to the incursions of our Comon Enemy the Indians by whom Wee are Environ'd And many of them As neere to us as those at New Yorke who are often Comitting Murthers on the Inhabitants here And have lately destroyd severall persons And having opportunity also of Ioyning with the Severall Nations of Indians residing among us to Effect their designes leaving us in a deplorable Condition the lives of the Inhabitants Greatly hazarded thereby And the province in Generall in danger of being totally laid Waiste.
- 3<sup>d</sup> That it will be very disadvantageous to the inhabitants of this province upon All occasions As of Councills Assemblys Gen<sup>11</sup> Courts And upon Appeales and differences between party and party to travell thither being neere 400 Miles distant from us And the ways impassable in the Winter Season by reason of the desert road's Violent frosts deep Snows and Rivers And bay's to pass over Soe that the poorer sort of people will not be Able to undergoe so Great A charge and fatigue. And the Rich to Avoid it will remoove themselves & Estates to England or other parts And so tend to the ruine of the tobacco trade And Consequently lessen the Revenue to the Crowne.
- 4 That the Constitution of this province to theirs is of so disagreeable And different A nature both in traffick and other things that the laws there compos'd cannot be Agreeable to the trade and Affairs of this Countrey nor the Constitution of the inhabitants of this province.